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Gentlemen:

A HISTORY OF ITALY AND OF HER IRREDENT REGIONS

Part I:	1746-1870
Part II:	185 B.C.-1915
Part III:	1914-1915

With TAVOLA CLESIANA of 185 B.C.

is the title of a work of mine which I take pleasure in offering you with the hope that your firm, if interested, will undertake to publish it.

I have extracted it – for the first time, of course – from my most successful four-part volume WHY ITALY ENTERED INTO THE GREAT WAR, which was written and published in Chicago (my residence for more than 20 years) the latter part of July, 1917, just when the Great War was at its fiercest phase.

WHY ITALY ENTERED INTO THE GREAT WAR met with instant sensational success. The principal newspapers of the United States and the leading newspapers of the entire world reviewed it immediately, devoting column after column, unanimously declaring it the best work published during the Great War concerning Italy's intervention on behalf of the Allies.

The first three parts of the volume, now extracted to form the book I am offering you, are – such is the opinion of the press of the world, particularly of critics in the United States – an authentic record of super-excellence, because of the inspired originality of its conception; because of the irrefutable historical truths which embody it; because of the perfect co-ordination of ideas; because of its conciseness rivaling that of Tacitus; because of its new, limpid, flowing style; because of the volcanic, passionate sense of justice which thoroughly fires and pervades it. The enclosed pamphlet will confirm the above statements.

And in Italy the leading newspapers and the most competent intellectual authorities did not hesitate to express their approval and the opinion that my WHY ITALY ENTERED INTO THE GREAT WAR was the best history of the Italian nation ever written.

As you see, my HISTORY OF ITALY AND HER IRREDENT REGIONS must perforce interest everyone because of its historical and literary merits; it may, moreover, be introduced into American schools and colleges as an authoritative text book, for, to quote the Los Angeles Times, "no part of public school education is more deficient in facts than that relating to modern Italy; and, as a result, comparatively few Americans have more than the vaguest conception of an historical background".

Although I have been in the habit of publishing my own writings, in this instance, since I am extremely busy placing the finishing touches on four other MSS., I prefer to entrust the publication of this particular work to a reliable firm able to realize the great ever-increasing profits to be permanently derived by the intelligent exploitation of such a book.

If you are interested in this type of publication, I shall be pleased to send the manuscript for examination, upon request.

Yours very truly,

Luigi Carnovale

19th November, 1928

Mr. Luigi Carnuvâhe,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

Your circular letter of November 15th is at hand. We regret that we are not in a position to consider publishing the title which you submit.

Very truly yours,

Secretary